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Community Center Grand Opening

Hampton, Virginia – The City of Hampton Parks and Recreation Department commissioned the new \$3 million center that features a 9 meter x 9 meter climbing wall in the main lobby along with a fitness room, community room, casual activities lounge, administration spaces, and building support services. According to Art Thatcher, Hampton Parks and Recreation Superintendent, the community center is a “...new state-of-the-art facility that meets the needs of the community” that reflects growing trends within parks and recreation.

Hayes, Seay, Mattern & Mattern, Inc. (HSMM), a Virginia-based architectural and engineering design firm with a specialty in recreation/wellness centers, programmed, planned, designed, and oversaw construction for the community center on the grounds of Lindsay Middle School. The design of the community center, with extensive exterior and interior glass, makes most activities visible from the main road, drawing people into the facility.

Outfitted to include the city’s first air conditioned gymnasium for basketball and volleyball, as well as an 8 foot perimeter walking path. A multi-purpose room will house dance, aerobic wellness, and other enrichment activities. “The center is welcoming and incorporates so many firsts for the City...we are ecstatic with the design of the facility and how it flows,” noted Thatcher. Adding, “It’s been a long time coming and will be a wonderful asset to the community.”

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